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From: Garvin, Shawn
Sent: Tue 2/4/2014 11:31:54 PM
Subject: Fw: when is ken ward call happening?

FYI...

From: White, Terri-A
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 6:22:07 PM
To: Garvin, Shawn
Subject: RE: when is ken ward call happening?

I've forwarded some of them to you already.

Here are remainder (I'm paraphrasing what Jon said)

· Can EPA assure residents that they can have confidence in the DW?

Jon stuck to our consistent messaging that "State and federal (ATSDR/CDC) health officials determined that a level of 1 part per million (ppm) of MCHM is protective of public health and the state/WVAWC will use the flushing process to assure that this level is achieved throughout the system." He added that we're encouraged by the consistent sampling results, which show diminishing presence of the chemical at levels well below protective threshold and even non-detect.

· Several schools showed detectable levels of MCHM, is EPA saying DW is safe at those schools?

Jon noted that in the case of the schools where levels of MCHM were detected, the levels were well below the 1ppm protective threshold. He then looped back to 1 part per million (ppm) of MCHM is the screening level ATSDR/CDC determined as protective of public health.

From: Garvin, Shawn
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 6:10 PM
To: White, Terri-A
Subject: Re: when is ken ward call happening?

I am sure I will get the same questions. It would be helpful to know how we answered them. Thx

From: White, Terri-A
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 6:04:36 PM
To: Garvin, Shawn
Subject: RE: when is ken ward call happening?

Tom said he responded to you regarding your TPs for tomorrow. Call with Ken went generally well. Jon Cap and Fran did good job. I had Bonnie join us since while I was working on your stuff for tomorrow, I asked her to arrange for the earlier prep call we had with Tom Reynolds; she also compiled statements we'd used in past weeks. I made sure she stayed in her lane.

Ken asked tough questions as to whether water is safe to drink; can EPA assure residents that they can have confidence in the DW; why aren't samples being taken at the tap in people's homes; does EPA think WVAWC should be doing residential tap sampling; several schools showed detectable levels of MCHM, is EPA saying DW is safe at those schools, what are results of soil and water sampling at the tank farm. Jon and Fran answered those they could and agreed to get back on those they couldn't answer at that time.

I also spoke to Mark since he'll be with you, and is well aware of the kinds of concerns that citizens and reporters are raising and expecting of EPA.

From: Garvin, Shawn
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 5:43 PM
To: White, Terri-A; Reynolds, Thomas
Subject: Re: when is ken ward call happening?

Terri - Did call ever happen? I need feedback?

Also, have you and Tom looked at my remarks, and is the version I have with me final?

Thanks - Shawn

From: White, Terri-A
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 1:56:30 PM
To: Reynolds, Thomas; Smith, Bonnie
Cc: Garvin, Shawn
Subject: Re: when is ken ward call happening?

Heard back. We're doing call @2.

From: White, Terri-A
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 1:11:29 PM
To: Reynolds, Thomas; Smith, Bonnie
Subject: Re: when is ken ward call happening?

Tom,

I left vm for Ken offering interview anytime today btwn 2-4. Also followed up w/email. Waiting for his reply. -- Terri

From: Reynolds, Thomas
Sent: Tuesday, February 04, 2014 10:54:23 AM
To: White, Terri-A; Smith, Bonnie
Subject: when is ken ward call happening?

I am running to ground the cdc issue re: 1 ppm finding and EPA's role in the decision.

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